

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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UNIQUE SITE NO. _____

QUAD. _____

SERIES _____

NEG.NO. _____

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Rochester, NY 14608ORGANIZATION (if any): The Landmark Society of Western New York, Inc.

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IDENTIFICATION

1. BUILDING NAME(S): Edward Frisbee House
2. COUNTY: Monroe TOWN: Greece
3. STREET LOCATION: 140 North Greece Road (NE corner of Frisbee Hill Road)
4. OWNERSHIP: a. public [] b. private [X]
5. PRESENT OWNER: Donald W. & Jean V. Herbison ADDRESS: (same) Hilton, NY 14468
6. USE: Original: residence Present: residence
7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes[X] No[]
Interior accessible: Explain private residence

DESCRIPTION

8. BUILDING MATERIAL: a. clapboard [] b. stone [X](fdn.) c. brick [] d. board and batten []
e. cobblestone [] f. shingles [] g. stucco [] other: Vinyl siding & aluminum siding.
9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM: (if known) a. wood frame with interlocking joints []
b. wood frame with light members [X]
c. masonry load bearing walls []
d. metal (explain) _____
e. other _____
10. CONDITION: a. excellent [] b. good [X] c. fair [] d. deteriorated []
11. INTEGRITY: a. original site [X] b. moved [] if so, when? _____
c. list major alterations and dates (if known):
(see continuation sheet)
12. PHOTO: 13. MAP:

"The porch looks original. I think this is a 'green plus.' " P.Malo.

COLOR CODE

Green plus

+

14. THREATS TO BUILDING:

- a. none known ☒ b. zoning ☐ c. roads ☐
d. developers ☐ e. deterioration ☐
f. other: _____

15. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS AND PROPERTY:

- a. barn ☒ b. carriage house ☐ c. garage ☐
d. privy ☐ e. shed ☐ f. greenhouse ☒
g. shop ☐ h. gardens ☐
i. landscape features: _____
j. other: _____

16. SURROUNDINGS OF THE BUILDING (check more than one if necessary):

- a. open land ☐ b. woodland ☐
c. scattered buildings ☒
d. densely built-up ☐ e. commercial ☐
f. industrial ☐ g. residential ☒
h. other: _____

17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:

(Indicate if building or structure is in an historic district)

(see continuation sheet)

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE (including interior features if known):

(see continuation sheet)

SIGNIFICANCE

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: c. 1888

ARCHITECT: not determined

BUILDER: not determined

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

(see continuation sheet)

21. SOURCES:

(see continuation sheet)

22. THEME: Residential

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11c.
Vinyl and aluminum siding added.

Casement window added on north elevation, first floor. Concrete block chimney added at north elevation. North porch is missing one of the original turned posts and the balustrade.

Balustrade missing at southeast porch.

Shed-roofed addition at south side of garage.

17. The Edward Frisbee House is located on Frisbee Hill on a 1.9 acre lot at the northeast corner of North Greece Road and Frisbee Hill Road. The house is situated in the northwest quadrant of the town. The driveway is east of the house and leads to a contributing frame barn, now used as a garage. A small non-contributing, metal A-frame greenhouse is east of the barn. The lot has a few mature trees. The neighborhood includes post World War II ranch and two-story houses as well as a historic cobblestone house at 149 North Greece Road (see inventory form) and a vernacular house with a Colonial Revival porch at 141 North Greece Road (see inventory form).

18. Two story, cross-plan, gable-roofed, vernacular Queen Anne farmhouse (ca. 1888). The house is constructed on a foundation of reddish-brown fieldstone. With the exception of the gable ends which retain the original decorative wood shingles, the house has been sided with a combination of vinyl and aluminum. Most of the windows are one-over-one, double-hung wood sash.

The front, west, elevation features a projecting two-bay-wide, front-gabled block. The gable end in this block has decorative sawtooth and fishscale shingles, horizontal, vertical and diagonal stickwork, and a molded cornice. The one-story porch in the front, southwest, corner has turned posts, a spindled balustrade and frieze, and curved brackets.

Of special note at the south elevation is the projecting central bay with large curved brackets featuring fan designs which support the overhanging gable above. This gable end is similar to the front gable and features decorative wood shingles and stickwork. The southeast porch has finely turned posts, brackets with a fan motif, and a spindled balustrade. The entrance at

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this porch features the original paneled oak door with a border of multi-paned, multi-colored glass surrounding a central pane of clear glass.

The north elevation has a shed-roofed porch with turned posts near the rear of the house. The upper gable end of this elevation retains its decorative wood shingles.

A one and one-half story, gable-roofed wing projects from the rear, west, elevation of the house.

The contributing frame barn (built c. 1888), now used as a garage, is side-gabled with a centered cross gable and window at the front. The barn is sided with novelty siding. A one-story, shed-roofed addition projects from the front, south, elevation of the barn.

20. Built ca. 1888, this house is historically significant for its association with the Frisbee family of Greece. It is also architecturally significant as an intact example of a vernacular Queen Anne farmhouse.

The house is believed to have been built ca. 1888 for Edward Frisbee and was once part of a 68-acre parcel. It is located on Frisbee Hill (320' elevation), the second highest natural elevation² in Greece, north of Ridge Road. The hill was named in honor of its early pioneers, Edward, Elijah and James Frisbee. Edward Frisbee served as justice of the peace in the town of Greece in 1895.

An earlier house owned by Edward Frisbee appeared on this site as shown on the 1852 and 1858 county maps. This building does not appear on the 1872 county map. The present house first appears on the 1902 map with 68.38 acres owned by the "Edward Frisbee Est" (Estate?). The 1924 county map shows Mary L. Frisbee as the owner of the 67-1/2 acre parcel with house and outbuilding.

²Paddy Hill, at the intersection of Mt. Read Blvd. and Latta Road, is the highest elevation.

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Despite the installation of synthetic siding, the house retains much of its historic design and craftsmanship. Should the siding be removed in the future and the original clapboard be repaired, that would enhance the significance of this building. The steeply pitched, cross-gabled roof, irregular floor plan, multiple porches with delicate spindlework and turned posts, and gable ends with patterned shingles and stickwork are Queen Anne characteristics. The Queen Anne was the dominant style of domestic architecture during the period of the 1880s up to about 1910. The contributing frame barn adds to the historic integrity of the setting.

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